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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I'm a resident of San Jose, California and use Sonic.net for Internet access at home. I understand that the period of mandated leasing to local competitors is potentially ending for AT&T and Verizon, and that you can extend this period with a unanimous vote. I ask each member to vote against the petitioned forbearance. Sonic.net has been developing its fiber network in SF Bay Area regions and I trust it will continue to expand in the future. I look forward to its fiber reaching San Jose and my house. When that happens Sonic.net will surely be a viable stand-alone competitor to AT&T in the area, fulfilling the original purpose of the mandatory leasing scheme. As it is now, I suspect the petition of forbearance is a tactic to eliminate such competitors before their fiber nets allow viable competition.

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